

REMARKS

Claims 2 to 13 were pending in the application. Claims 14 to 17 been added. No new matter has been introduced. Thus, claims 2 to 17 are pending for reconsideration at this time.

Allowance Of Claims 2 to 13

Applicant acknowledges with appreciation the allowance of claims 2 to 13. As no changes have been made to claims 2 to 13 by way of this Amendment & Reply, these claims are believed to remain in condition for allowance.

New Claims 14-17

New claims 14 to 17 have been added to more fully recite features of the present invention. Support for these new claims can be found, for example, in the original claims and throughout the specification and drawings. Allowance of claims 14 to 17 is solicited.

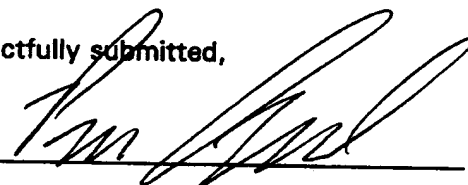
Conclusion

Applicant believes that the present application is now in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration of the application as amended is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is felt that a telephone interview would advance the prosecution of the present application.

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